

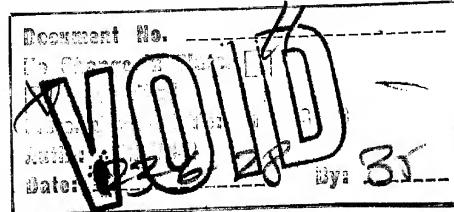
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1. Alois Peter, Vienna city secretary of the Communist Party of Austria, in a meeting at the Organization Bureau of the Party's Central Committee on 2 May 1950, proposed the establishment of committees of the unemployed in all towns having sizeable numbers of unemployed.
2. These committees are to advance the following minimum demands :
  - a. A 25-percent increase in unemployment relief.
  - b. Extension of full unemployment relief to cover the entire period of unemployment.
  - c. Additional allowances for firewood and coal.
  - d. Additional allowances, amounting to 50 shillings per month, for children.
  - e. Free streetcar transportation.
3. The committees of the unemployed are to keep aloof from any party affiliation, but are to be politically controlled by the respective locals of the Communist Party of Austria.
4. The Organization Bureau was ordered to furnish all Communist Party locals with detailed instructions on the formation of committees of the unemployed.\*



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\* [REDACTED] Comment. In early 1949 the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Austria resolved to establish committees of the unemployed. Such committees did not appear in the open, however, presumably because of the advantageous employment situation in 1949. However, since the number of unemployed at present essentially surpasses the 1949 figure, it is possible that committees of this type will be formed in some towns.

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